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REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

SUBJ: CASUALTY NOTIFICATION. REQUEST THE FOLLOWING BE PERSONALLY
PASSED ON TO DOCTOR AND MRS A.C. FRERICHS, BOX 355, PORT MORESBY,
NEW GUINEA.

QUOTE. IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I OFFICIALLY INFORM YOU OF THE
DEATH OF YOUR SON CAPTAIN DAVID MICHAEL FRERICHS. HE DIED IN
NEBRASKA ON 14 FEB 75 AS THE RESULT OF AN AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT. YOUR
SON WAS THE PILOT OF A PRIVATELY OWNED AIRCRAFT THAT WAS ATTEMPTING
TO LAND AT CHADRON NEBRASKA. HE RADIOED THE TOWER THAT HE WAS
MAKING HIS APPROACH, HOWEVER, THE AIRCRAFT DID NOT LAND. THE
CIVIL AIR PATROL FOUND THE WRECKAGE ON 15 FEB 75. FURTHER DETAILS
CONCERNING THE INCIDENT ARE UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME; HOWEVER, YOUR
SON'S COMMANDER WILL WRITE YOU A LETTER CONTAINING ALL THE KNOWN
CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING HIS DEATH. PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE
SYMPATHY. SIGNED MAJOR GENERAL T. R. MCNEIL, ASSISTANT DEPUTY
CHIEF OF STAFF, PERSONNEL, MILITARY PERSONNEL, HEADQUARTERS,
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. UNQUOTE.

FURTHER REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE ADVISED BY RETURN MESSAGE ASAP OF THE
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